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March 24, 2023

OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF
STATE

J. Kevin Stitt
Office of the Governor
State of Oklahoma

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION**

I, J. Kevin Stitt, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to 51 O.S. §§ 121 through 132, hereby authorize a referendum upon the question of whether a majority of the employees of Harmony School District C021 of Atoka County, Oklahoma ("Harmony School District") desire full Social Security coverage, as provided by the Federal Insurance Contributions Act tax.

Pursuant to the provisions of 51 O.S. §§ 121 through 132 and Section 218 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 418), I hereby authorize a referendum of employees be held by the Harmony School District on or after June 21, 2023, said date providing the statutorily required ninety (90) days' notice. The Department of Human Services has been designated to supervise the referendum for eligible employees of said school district to ascertain if such employees desire full coverage of Social Security benefits as provided by the controlling law.

Copies of this Executive Proclamation shall be distributed to: Susan K. Hohmann, State Social Security Administrator, Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 25352, Oklahoma City, OK 73125; Brian Walker, Superintendent, Harmony School District, 4926 South Bentley Road, Atoka, OK 74525; Ryan Walters, Secretary of Education and State Superintendent of Public Instruction, 2500 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City this 23rd day of March, 2023.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

J. KEVIN STITT

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE



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Harmony Public School

Brian Walker, Superintendent

4926 South Bentley Road
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Telephone: 580-889-3687
FAX: 580-889-4631

March 20, 2023

The Honorable J. Kevin Stitt
State of Oklahoma
State Capitol Building
2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Room 212
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear Governor Stitt:

We are writing this letter requesting you call a referendum to allow the eligible employees of Harmony Public School, Atoka, Oklahoma, in Atoka County, the opportunity to vote on participation in full Social Security benefits as provided by the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) tax.

By statute an election date will be set to allow a ninety-day notice of the referendum and all eligible employees will be given the opportunity to vote.

We are enclosing our resolution requesting this referendum.

Respectfully,



Jarod Hatcher, Board President


Carla Jackson, Board Vice-President
Clint Hardison, Board Clerk



OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Social Security Bureau
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March 22, 2023

Trever Pemberton
General Counsel
Oklahoma State Capitol
2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Room 212
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-4805

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
LEGAL DEPT

RE: Referendum for Harmony Public School District C021

The Harmony Public School District C021 of Atoka County wishes to hold an election to determine if Full Social Security coverage will apply to the employees of Harmony Public School District, Atoka County, Atoka, Oklahoma.

The employees of this District have been receiving Social Security coverage since July 1, 2018 following a Referendum that passed by majority vote in 2017. However, the Modification was not approved by SSA within the statutory two years and requires a new election to cover the payments made and permit continuing coverage. Enclosed is the letter from the Harmony Public School Board officials to Governor Stitt, and a copy of the Resolution signed by the District Superintendent.

As part of the referendum process, it is necessary for Governor Stitt to draft a letter to the Harmony Public School District calling for the election.

Please return Governor Stitt's original signed letter to me, Susan Hohmann, State Social Security Administrator, at the address shown above. I will forward the signed letter to Harmony Public School District in order to complete the process.

The contact person for Harmony Public School District is: Brian Walker, Superintendent, 4926 South Bentley Road, Atoka, OK 74525-4664.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your prompt assistance.

Susan Hohmann

Susan K. Hohmann
State Social Security Administrator
405-982-2157
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Enclosures

Resolution to Request Authorization of Full Social Security Referendum

WHEREAS, it is the express purpose and intention of the Harmony Public School District C021, Atoka, Oklahoma in Atoka County to extend to its employees an opportunity to participate in Full Social Security on as broad a basis as is permitted under applicable State and Federal Law, and WHEREAS, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Harmony Public School District C021 is hereby authorized to make written request to the governor of Oklahoma for authorization to hold a referendum to determine whether a majority of said employees desire Full Social Security coverage.

WHEREAS, the Harmony Public School District C021 requests to begin on July 1, 2023.

I, Brian Walker, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution adopted by Harmony Public School District C021 on the 20th day of March, 2023.

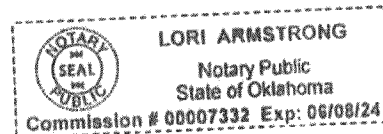
Signed: Brian Walker

Title: Superintendent

Date: 3-20-23

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of March, 2023.

Lori Armstrong
Notary Public



My Commission Expires: 06/08/2024

Commission Number: 00007332